

As a flight attendant I am concerned with the safety implications of allowing cell phones on the plane. Since it's not clear whether the phones represent a navigation hazard I oppose them on those grounds, but I am also fearful that allowing people to talk on phones unchecked may hamper a flight crew member's ability to get or retain attention in the event of an emergency. People already are not aware of the safety briefings and regulations--giving them another excuse to "tune out" safety information is just asking for trouble.